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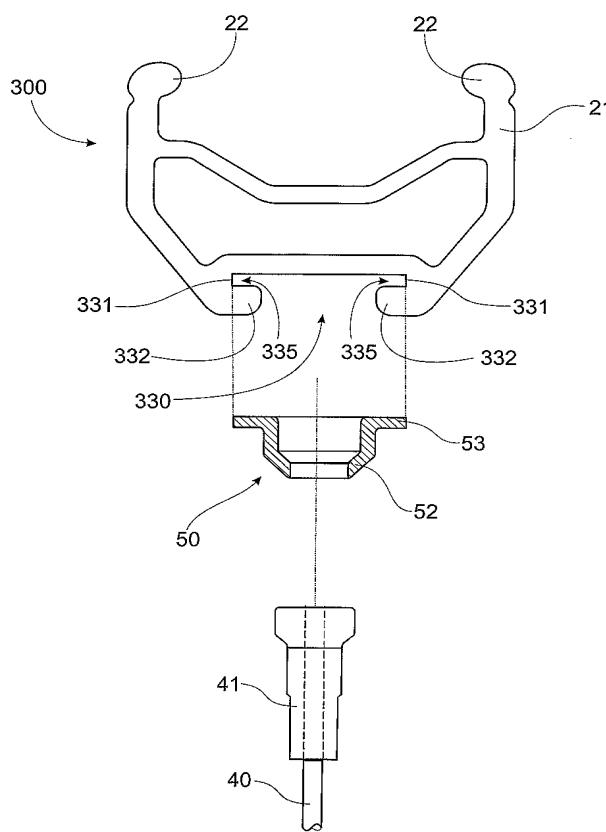
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(54) Title: WHEEL RIM



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a wheel rim (10, 200, 300, 310, 400, 500) comprising at least one track (30, 230, 330, 330a-330k, 430, 530) capable of operatively coupling to a spoke (40) and located on an inner surface (12) of the wheel rim (10, 200, 300, 310, 400, 500). The at least one track (30, 230, 330, 330a-330k, 430, 530) in one preferred form is capable of operatively coupling to at least one carriage (50, 50A, 50B, 250, 255, 350, 351, 450, 500), which is capable of operatively coupling to the end of a spoke (40). The carriage (50, 50A, 50B, 450, 550) in a preferred embodiment is adapted to retain a spoke nipple (41). The wheel rim (10, 200, 300, 310, 400, 500) is suitable for use with a bicycle wheel (60, 61, 62).

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